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For: METHOD, MEANS AND PROTOCOL FOR SYNCHRONOUS
               DATA TRANSMITTING OVER THE INTERNET

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

    Please enter the following preliminary amendment and
remarks in the patent application transmitted herewith
prior to calculation of the filing fee.

Amendment

IN THE CLAIMS:

    Please amend claims 3, 4, 5, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14
and 15 as follows:

    In claim 3, line 1, delete "or 2".

    In claim 4, line 1, change "one of the preceding
claims" to --claim 1--.

    In claim 5, line 1, change "one of the preceding
claims" to --claim 1--.

    In claim 9, line 1, delete "or 8".

    In claim 10, line 1, change "one of the claims 7-9"
to --claim 7--.

    In claim 11, line 1, change "one of the claims 7-10"
to --claim 7--.

In claim 12, line 1, change "one of the claims 7-11" to --claim 7--.

In claim 12, line 1, change "one of the claims 7-11" to --claim 7--.

In claim 13, line 1, change "one of the claims 7-12" to --claim 7--.

In claim 14, line 1, change "one of the claims 10-13" to --claim 10--.

In claim 15, line 1, change "one of the claims 11-14" to --claim 11--.
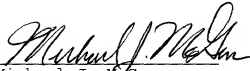
Remarks

The claims have been amended to remove multiple dependencies prior to calculation of the filing fee.

Respectfully submitted,

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